**Approval to be given by the concerned Union/State Ministry/ Department for the collaborative research project for exemption**

**under Section 5 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002**

The undersigned hereby conveys the approval of the competent authority for the collaborative research project entitled --------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- (Title of the Project) involving transfer/exchange of biological resources --------------------------------------------------------------------- (Nature of the biological resources) or information relating thereto between ------------------------------------------------------------------------------ (Name of the Indian Institution) and ---------------------------------------------------------------(Name of the foreign institution), as per the enclosed brief and as provided under Section 5 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and the notification issued by the Ministry of Environment and Forests on 8th November, 2006.

Place Signature of the Authorized Signatory

Dated:

Name and Designation: ---------------------------

Seal of the Ministry/ Department: